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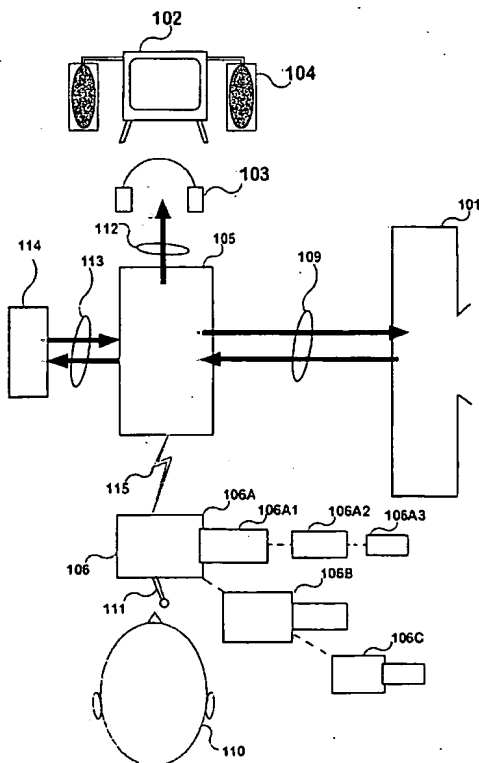
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(57) Abstract: An adaptable world interface helps progressively  
less capable persons maintain contact with friends, relatives, and the  
outside world, personal entertainment channels, telephone, e-mail,  
television, household appliances, etc. A hand-held device displays  
a selected, consistent GUI menu, simplified to match the person's  
present abilities. A selected ability-matched user interface controls  
a programmed set-top box feeding appropriate output devices. People  
may start using the invention while young and able so that, before  
possible disability begins and entry into hospital care commences,  
the person is already used to managing the world interface. Remote  
medical consultations are provided for.

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